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E.O. 11652: N/A
TAGS:PINS, CPRS, APER, AR
SUBJECT:LAUN KIDNAPPING

1. THE LAUN CASE BROKE UNEXPECTEDLY LATE EVENING APRIL 12 WHEN HE WAS FOUND ABANDONED ALONG A CREEK IN CORDOBA. POLICE WERE INFORMED OF LOCATION OF LAUN BY UNIDENTIFIED CALLERS, PRESUMABLY HIS ABDUCTORS. HE WAS RUSHED TO HOSPITAL AND OPERATED ON FOR SERIOUS GUN SHOT WOUND IN THE LOWER ABDOMEN. ONE BULLET PERFORATED HIS LOWER INTESTINE TWICE. THERE WAS NO DAMAGE TO OTHER VITAL ORGANS. LAUN'S DOCTORS ARE CONCERNED OVER THE POSSIBILITY OF INFECTION BUT AS OF 1000 EDT ALL OF HIS VITAL SIGNS ARE SATISFACTORY, AND HE IS EXPECTED TO RECOVER. IN ADDITION TO THE GUN SHOT WOUND, LAUN WAS APPARENTLY PISTOLWHIPPED ABOUT THE HEAD AND SHOULDERS.

2. POLICE HAVE CORDONED OFF CORDOBA AND ARE CONDUCTING AN INTENSIVE SEARCH FOR HIS KIDNAPPERS.
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3. DEPARTMENT AND EMBASSY BA HAVE CONFIRMED THAT LAUN HAS BEEN A HAM RADIO OPERATOR FROM THE TIME HE WAS IN THE 8TH GRADE. HE HOLDS A HAM RADIO LICENSE ISSUED BY THE ARGENTINE SECRETARIAT OF COMMUNICATIONS AND IS LICENSED IN THE UNITED STATES. HE IS A MEMBER OF SEVERAL HAM RADIO CLUBS AND HAS BEEN ACTIVE IN CORDOBA. KISSINGER

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